

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	
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-against-	:	19-CR-862 (VEC)
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	:	<u>ORDER</u>
RAIMUNDO NIEVES, EZEQUIEL OSPINA,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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VALERIE CAPRONI, United States District Judge:

WHEREAS on July 1, 2021, Defendants Raimundo Nieves and Ezequiel Ospina appeared for a telephonic status conference in this matter;

WHEREAS at the conference, Mr. Nieves and Mr. Ospina waived in-person appearances;

WHEREAS Mr. Ospina entered a not guilty plea on Counts 1, 2, 3, 14, and 15 of the Superseding Indictment (S5); and

WHEREAS Mr. Nieves entered a not guilty plea on Counts 1, 2, and 3 of the Superseding Indictment (S5);

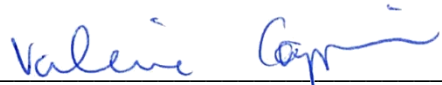
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pretrial motions in this matter are due no later than **Wednesday, September 22, 2021**, responses in opposition are due no later than **Wednesday, October 20, 2021**, and replies in support of the motions are due no later than **Wednesday, October 27, 2021**. If a hearing is required, the date will be set after briefing is complete. The Court will schedule a trial in this matter for the first quarter of 2022. Once the Court has confirmed a trial date, the Court will enter a briefing schedule for motions *in limine*, requests to charge, and proposed *voir dire* questions.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that given the complexities and delays associated with reviewing discovery, meeting with counsel, and discussing potential dispositions during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court finds that the ends of justice in accommodating those delays

outweigh Mr. Bonafe's and the public's interests in a speedy trial, and that exclusion of time between now and December 31, 2021 is warranted pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7).

SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 1, 2021
New York, NY



VALERIE CAPRONI
United States District Judge